

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the first two paragraphs of the Specification, following the Title of the Invention with the two following paragraphs (changes are shown relative to the Preliminary Amendment, filed July 9, 2003):

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is entitled to the benefit of and incorporates by reference in its entirety essential subject matter disclosed in German Patent Application No. 202 11 571.2 filed on July 12, 2002.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention pertains generally to a connection system and, more specifically, to a connection system, for use with hand-held ~~implements~~ machine tools operated by internal combustion engines, which permits attachment of an external device.